Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A head restraint assembly for an occupant of a vehicle seat, the seat having a seat back and a seat bottom, the head restraint assembly comprising:

a head restraint post including a pair of leg portions and a crossbar portion interconnecting the leg portions, the leg portions being adapted to engage the seat back;

a support member coupled to the crossbar portion and each leg portion of the head restraint post, the support member including a laterally elongated convex surface and a plurality of clip portions wherein at least one clip portion is coupled to the head restraint post in a snap-fit arrangement; and

a compressible pad at least partially encapsulating the support member, the pad including a convex outer surface to provide support for the occupant's head.

2. (cancelled)

3. (currently amended) The head restraint assembly of claim 2 wherein at least one clip portion includes an arcuate ~~cylindrical~~ surface engaging a portion of the head restraint post.

4. (original) The head restraint assembly of claim 3 wherein the arcuate surface circumferentially extends greater than 180 degrees.

5. (currently amended) The head restraint assembly of claim [[2]] 3 wherein at least one clip portion is integrally formed with and extends from the arcuate surface ~~coupled to the head restraint post in a snap-fit engagement~~.

6. (currently amended) The head restraint assembly of claim [[2]] 1 wherein the clip portions are spaced apart from one another such that two clip portions engage the crossbar portion and one clip portion engages each leg portion of the head restraint post.

7. (original) The head restraint assembly of claim 1 wherein the convex surface of the support member defines a radius ranging from 10 to 60 millimeters.

8. (original) The head restraint assembly of claim 1 wherein a thickness of the pad between the convex surface of the support member and the convex outer surface of the pad ranges from 20 to 60 millimeters.

9. (original) The head restraint assembly of claim 1 wherein the crossbar portion of the head restraint post includes a serpentine shape.

10. (currently amended) A vehicle seat comprising:

(a) a seat back having a frame and a pair of bushings coupled to the frame;

(b) a seat bottom coupled to the seat back;

(c) a head restraint assembly adjustably coupled to the seat back, the head restraint assembly including:

(i) a head restraint post, the head restraint post including a pair of substantially parallel leg portions interconnected by a crossbar portion, each leg portion being supported by the seat back;

(ii) a support member coupled to the head restraint post, the support member including a convex surface extending substantially along the entire length of the crossbar and a pair of end walls that cooperate with the convex surface to define a shell, the shell including a plurality of integrally formed clips; and

(iii) a pad being positioned in contact with the convex surface of the support member;

wherein the convex surface of the support member is offset from the seat back and positioned near a distal end of the vehicle seat.

11. (cancelled)

12. (currently amended) The vehicle seat of claim [[11]] 10 wherein the support member includes an arcuate wall and a rib extending between at least one integrally formed clip and the arcuate wall ~~pair of end walls defining a shell, the shell including a plurality of clips integrally formed thereon~~.

13. (currently amended) The vehicle seat of claim [[12]] 10 wherein the clips are spaced apart from one another to engage different sections of the head restraint post.

14. (currently amended) The vehicle seat of claim [[12]] 10 wherein one of the clips is formed adjacent one of the end walls to engage one of the leg portions of the head restraint post.

15. (original) The vehicle seat of claim 10 wherein the pad surrounds the support member.

16. (currently amended) The vehicle seat of claim 10 ~~further including a pair of bushings coupled to the frame,~~ wherein each leg portion ~~being~~ is slidably supported by one of the bushings.

17. (withdrawn) A method of constructing a vehicle seat having a seat back, a head restraint post, a support member having a plurality of clips and a pad, the method comprising:

engaging the plurality of clips of the support member with the head restraint post to couple the support member to the head restraint post;

covering the support member with the pad; and

coupling the head restraint post to the seat back.

18. (withdrawn) The method of claim 17 further including covering the pad with a fabric.

19. (withdrawn) The method of claim 17 wherein the support member includes an arcuate wall having a convex surface with a radius ranging from 10 to 60 millimeters.

20. (withdrawn) The method of claim 17 wherein the step of engaging the plurality of clips with the head restraint post includes snap-fitting the clips to the head restraint post.